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| VOLATILE WORKING FLUID |) | January 11, 2005 |

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Sir:

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US '555, US '072, US '117 and US '018 were cited in an International Search Report in the parent application. The Examiner might find these documents relevant for the reasons noted therein. A copy of the International Search Report and a copy of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability are included for the Examiner's convenience, together with a copy of a subsequent International Preliminary Report on Patentability.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

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